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Start of Electric Is Celebrated at Bentley

On Monday evening last the beginning of active construction on the Lacombe & Blindman Valley Railway was celebrated with a big Thanksgiving banquet at Bentley, at which the residents of the valley and several from Lacombe and other points were the guests of the promoters of the railway. McPherson's Hall was packed to the limit, and then some, about two hundred being present.

The banquet was opened at 7:30 with the invocation by the Rev. Winfield. The spread was prepared with the assistance of the ladies and was up to the top notch in the culinary art. The feast was followed by an extensive program of toasts.

C. A. Putland, toastmaster, opened the program with a toast to "The King."

Senator Talbot fittingly responded to "The Senate and House of Commons."

"The Provincial Legislature" was ably looked after by W. F. Puffer, member for Lacombe, Peter Gunne, Lac St. Anne, F. Whittier, Coronation, Mr. McCall, Arcadia, and Mr. Leffingwell, all of whom responded entertainingly.

"The Lacombe and Blindman Valley Electric Railway" was responded to by Messrs. J. C. Gibson, A. M. MacDonald, Thos. Iddings, and F. Vickerson, all of whom talked very optimistically of the outlook. Mr. Gibson also dealt with the rumors that have been floating around to the effect that the company is building the road to sell. He stated positively that there is not a word of truth in these rumors, but that the company will build and operate the road and expect to push construction to the extent of having the road in shape to handle next year's crop. He stated that about eight miles of the grading has already been done and that tenders have been called for ties, rails and equipment.

The toast "Agricultrine" was responded to by Geo. Hopkins, J. H. Morrison and J. H. Dameron.

The "Town of Bentley" was championed by H. A. Brownlow, C. F. Dameron, and H. Thorp, Mr. Dameron reciting some humorous verses of his own composition on "Bentley, Past and Present."

D. C. Gourley, W. Brooks and D. B. Pines looked after the case for "Sister Towns."

"The Press" was responded to by Mr. Wilson, of the Edmonton Daily Capital, and F. H. Schooley of The Lacombe Guardian.

"The Ladies" had two very able champions in Mrs. Iddings and Harry Ireland, the former demonstrating conclusively that the ladies are entirely capable of speaking for themselves.

The program was closed by singing "Auld Lang Syne" and giving hearty cheers for the Blindman Valley Railway, and for W. F. Puffer whose efforts on behalf of the railway are so greatly appreciated.

Local Jottings

Howard Moore, of Athabasca Landing, was in town the first of the week.

Pat McDonald, of Brooks, spent Thanksgiving with his mother at Lacombe.

W. D. Clark, of the Swift Canadian Co., Edmonton, spent Thanksgiving day here.

The best ice cream, soft drinks and fruits in season at the Lacombe Candy Kitchen.

Dick Johnson, now located in British Columbia, is here this week on a business trip.

The Williams Jubilee singers will be here on November 5, under the auspices of the Methodist Ladies' Aid.

A ten cent tea will be held at the home of Mrs. Watkins on Thursday, October 30th, in aid of St. Cyprian's church.

Another of those popular public dances will be held in Boode's Hall on Friday night, October 31. Watch for bills giving full particulars.

The place of holding the anniversary dinner of Grace Methodist church has been changed from Delmage street, as first announced, to Denike's new building on Barnett avenue.

A number of boys have become rather reckless of late in using sling shots. The authorities have determined to put a stop to it, and hereafter boys caught doing damage with sling shots will be severely dealt with.

On Thanksgiving morning R. B. Hill, of the Lacombe Drug Store, was the victim of a very serious accident. While a party were out hunting a stray shot struck him in the right eye, penetrating the eyeball close to the pupil. Dr. Bynes was called immediately and advised that it was a case for an eye specialist, and sent the patient to Edmonton, where it was found necessary to remove the injured eye.

At a largely attended meeting held in the town hall on the 15th it was decided to organize a hockey team for the season of 1913-14. The following officers were elected: Hon. President, Hon. Senator Talbot; President, N. E. Carruthers; First Vice President, J. W. Fortney; Second Vice President, W. F. Graham; Secretary-Treasurer, H. French; Executive Committee, W. A. Shields, J. G. Nickerson, D. Garland, D. Hay; Manager, A. J. Cameron; Captain, W. M. Reid. The Lacombe boys have always put up good hockey, and with the material at hand this season's team is sure to be right up to the mark.

Tory papers have been throwing fits this week because they got the idea that a Liberal cabinet minister was going to make them swallow a small sized dose of straight Tory dope. Pretty bitter stuff, even in contemplation, when it seems to be headed your way, eh, friends?

Progressive Alberta Government

The bill granting government aid to light railways has passed the Legislature without opposition and has been assented to by the Lieutenant Governor. Thus the people interested in securing the Lacombe & Blindman Valley Railway have the high honor of being very instrumental in inaugurating an advanced governmental policy of the greatest importance. Alberta has for some time enjoyed the distinction of having the most progressive provincial government in the Dominion, and this legislation vastly increases its lead.

New Brands Act in Legislature

The new Brands Act now before the Legislature provides for the cancellation of brands automatically every four years unless the owner applies for renewal, and any brand so cancelled may be renewed on application within three months after cancellation. The object of this provision is to eliminate the large number of obsolete brands now carried in the brands book of the province.

Under the act all brands allotted before 1905 will expire next year; those allotted 1905-07, will expire on December 31st, 1915; 1908-10 brands will expire at the end of 1916, and those allotted in the years 1911-13 expire at the end of 1917.

The act provides for the appointment of a recorder of brands and of a brand commission, to consist of three stock owners.

Persons removing stock a distance of twenty miles in the province or to points outside the province are required to provide themselves with a brand recorder's certificate or bill of sale, giving a description of the stock to show that such stock are properly in their possession, and any person is given the right to inspect travelling stock and to compare the brands on the stock with the brand certificates or bills of sale. A penalty of \$200 and costs is provided for offences under this act.

To Fight the Plague

The information of a provincial association to combat the ravages of tuberculosis marks an important step in the advancement of our public health organizations. For some time this action has been contemplated, and the matter was consummated Wednesday afternoon when the delegates to the convention held in Calgary finally ratified a constitution and appointed the officers for a provincial association.

The alarming inroads that have been made and are being made each year upon human life by the

dread white plague have been brought prominently to public notice since people generally and public men and women in particular became roused to a sense of their responsibility in this regard. That measures should be taken to fight the spread of the disease everyone will admit. It is only a question of the best manner to go about it. It is to be hoped that the government of the province will be wise enough to extend a strong helping hand to the establishment of sanatoria in the province. While it is the localities that benefit undoubtedly by such institutions, when these latter are few, it cannot be regarded purely as a local matter, although the community should do its share. Nor should the establishment and maintenance of sanatoria be left to private charity. It is a public question and one that goes vitally to the roots of public welfare. The decision therefore to form a provincial association with boards of control was a wise one. The time may not be far distant when there will be sanatoria in different parts of the province. But in the meantime we must have a provincial sanatorium.

The women's organizations have done much to push this matter and bring it into prominence. For that they are to be commended. A provincial sanatorium was first mooted by the Calgary women's club several years ago, and public minded women have been urging the idea ever since. To them is due in a large measure the formation of the provincial association.

Shocking Murder at Ray, N. D.

Devil's Lake, N.D., Oct. 23.—Mrs. D. T. Dillon and Lella March, her daughter, are dead at Ray, N.D., and D. T. Dillon, husband of Mrs. Dillon, lies mortally wounded as the result of shots fired from a revolver said to have been in the hands of Lauren Culbertson, former husband of Mrs. Dillon.

The tragedy took place at the Dillon farm, six miles north of Ray, at nine o'clock last evening. It is alleged that Lauren Culbertson, or Steve Culbertson, as he was registered at the hotel after coming to the Dillon farm and waited until Dillon returned from the field, where he had been threshing. As Dillon entered the barn, it is said, Culbertson shot him down, and believing his victim dead, it is asserted that the murderer went to the house and killed Mrs. Dillon and her daughter, Lella. There were no eye-witnesses, but it is believed that both died instantly.

Following the murder and alarm by neighbors, who heard shots and rushed to the scene of the tragedy, it is said that Culbertson hurried into town, and six miles out of Ray he was captured by a train crew while trying to make his escape on a tender of a Great Northern engine. The train crew, suspecting him, took him to White Earth, where

he was later turned over to Sheriff Carl Erickson.

Culbertson was taken to Ray, and Dillon, who is very low, positively identified him as the murderer.

The tragedy is one of the worst in the annals of Williams County. Dillon married Mrs. Marsh, who is said to have been the wife of the party who registered under the name of Culbertson. About six years ago they came to this place and took up farming. They have a host of friends and feeling against the murderer is very strong.

Report on Agricultural Credits

The report of the Royal Commission appointed by the Provincial Government of Saskatchewan to deal with the question of agricultural credits is a gratifying indication that a serious attempt is at last being made to solve the problem of how to obtain cheap money for the farmers.

The most interesting feature of the commissioners' recommendations is that they advise the institution of a system of co-operation among the agriculturists in the province, not only in connection with the credit question, but for the purchasing and selling of produce and supplies as well. These two systems will be of mutual assistance to each other, and it is hoped that the development of a strong spirit of co-operation among the farmers will help them as a body, and in time make them independent of the aid of the innumerable middlemen, for whose services farmers in the past have had to pay such an exorbitant price.

The value of co-operation is now being universally recognized. In other countries, notably in Germany, by the formation of strong associations, farmers have been able to obtain the funds necessary for development at a somewhat lower rate than the German Government itself. They have rendered themselves in great measure independent of outside aid, and immune from the dangers of temporary stringencies which might, without safeguards, have led to disaster. The application of this principle to Western Canada will, it is hoped, provide a remedy for many of the evils which Canadian farmers suffer today. The difficulty of obtaining necessary credit except at excessive rates of interest has long tended to check the agricultural industry in the prairie provinces, and the frequent inability to meet the constant drain caused by such high rates has been responsible for innumerable sales and mortgage proceedings on farms which should have prospered under more favorable conditions. Under the new system, with the farmers depending ultimately on their own resources, and all unnecessary expense eliminated, loans may be obtained at a reasonable rate. For the present, owing to local conditions of rapid development and wide demand for money, such associations in Saskatchewan would necessarily be dependent upon Government assistance, but it is expected that a few years more would remove the necessity for such paternalism.

The report and suggestions of the commissioners deserve careful consideration in all their bearings.

Five Die in Wreck on C. P. R.

North Bay, Ont., Oct. 23.—Five were killed and several injured on the Canadian Pacific, near Weyland station, west of Chapeau, Wednesday, when a work train returning to a gravel pit collided head on with an eastbound freight, piling engines and cars up in a mass of wreckage in which were entangled the crews of both trains.

The dead are: Conductor Cummings, of the freight train.

Brakeman A. Bource, steam shovel engineer.

J. Rattrie and two laborers of the work train crew.

The injured are: E. J. Moore, conductor of the work train, fatally injured.

Foreman Johnson, of the work train crew, fatally injured.

Fireman G. Stewart, fatally injured.

Four others were injured, but will recover.

The dead and injured men reside in Chapeau. The accident was caused by a misunderstanding of the orders on the part of the work train crew, the approach of the second section of the freight train having been ignored after the first section had passed.

Knife Used to Regenerate Mind

Chicago, Oct. 23.—Four patients were operated on today by Dr. E. H. Pratt, of Evanston, in an effort to eliminate criminal tendencies and moral deficiency. The operations were performed at the instance of Judge George W. Bridgman, of the Circuit Court of St. Joseph's, Mich., who has announced that hereafter he will not sentence any one convicted in his court of moral weakness to penitentiaries or insane asylums until the knife has had an opportunity to regenerate the mind affected.

For obvious reasons the names of the persons upon whom the operations are performed will be withheld. Dr. Pratt, in discussing the subject recently with Judge Bridgman, said that the operations would not destroy any organ or function of the mind or brain, but merely remove abnormalities affecting nerve centres.

Two of those who went under Dr. Pratt's knife recently at St. Francis Hospital, Evanston, are brother and sister, both under 20 years of age. If Dr. Pratt succeeds in overcoming their moral weakness, the charges pending against them in Judge Bridgman's court will be dismissed. Both are said to be recovering rapidly from the effects of the operations. Today's patients were two men and two children against whom charges are pending in the Michigan court.

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PROJECTS FOR HUGE TUNNELS

Include Connecting England and France. Also England and Ireland.

London just now is seething with projects of tunnels. The Prime Minister has just received a deputation of British members of Parliament, who were to see a model of a tunnel between England and France, because it would confer enormous trade benefits, and give both countries a new source of food supply in war time.

The cost of a double tunnel would be \$50,000,000, but a channel company, assisted by the South-Eastern and Chatham and Dover Railway and French Western Railroads would readily find that amount. And Mr. Asquith has gone as far as to promise that the Committee of British Imperial Defense will give the project their most careful consideration, to see whether it can be now or hereafter approved by the British Government.

Encouraged by this, a group of Lancashire financiers has come forward and demanded that the question of a tunnel between England and Ireland should be revived. They say there is no scientific reason why a subway should not be constructed, between the British Isles, and they say that this subway would do more to make the separation of Ireland from Great Britain a reality than any of the Home Rule Bills, or any of the Acts.

In London itself financiers are discussing plans that have originated in Berlin to run a tunnel from Queenstown, in Nova Scotia, and would take twenty years to construct, cost some hundreds of millions of dollars, to excavate a British canal, and American will use in Berlin, without troubling them once to embark on the story and treacherous waters.

M. Albert Sarraute, the author of the celebrated pamphlet "Le Tunnel Sous la Manche," estimated in a report published in 1907, that if built a tunnel between England and France would be used in 1915 by no fewer than 1,800,000 passengers.

Many tunnel bills have been introduced into the English Parliament, but they have been uniformly rejected owing to defence considerations and the Imperial Defence Committee decided against any scheme.

The coming aeroplane has, however, changed the aspect of the whole problem of national defence both for England and America. England can no longer rely, as she has done, on the fact that she is an island.

Almost in spite of herself, she has been drawn into the meshes of armed complications in other portions of Europe, and she has now to realize that any day she may be called upon to throw an army into Belgium or Holland to help her friends, Russia and France, against Germany and Austria.

Would not it be suggested, a tunnel in these circumstances be a boon rather than a peril?

The story of the tunnel is to be held in London this fall, is being organized by the Franco-British Travel Union who are placing this Channel tunnel question practically at the head of a highly interesting congress program.

This is because it is held that the construction of a submarine mode of travel between England and France would immensely stimulate the object which the union mainly has in view, the promotion of international friendship by facilitating an exchange of holiday visits between the people of Britain and the Continent.

The number of English people who travel abroad has grown enormously of late years, and Germans and French people are reciprocating by visiting England in ever-increasing numbers. But the average Frenchman heartily dreads the cross-channel passage which has been for generations the chief reason of England's insularity.

Strategic grounds of opposition are also said to be weakening, not merely because of the changed complexion of European politics, which renders France no longer England's traditional enemy, but because of the ingenious argument that the existence of a channel tunnel would afford a safe means for the importation of food supplies in time of war at sea.

England and France, moreover, would be a far more formidable combination of war against a common enemy with a Channel tunnel than without. The old fear that it might be used by a hostile Power against England or France can also be proved to be groundless.

Be Wise

It is better to be wise than rich. We do not see this because we have all the world, and are seized with the fever for money-getting and money-spending. There are thousands of people getting more satisfaction out of their daily round of business and social life than any of these birds of paradise with their flitting to and fro upon the face of the earth. One of the most fatal things for the peace and happiness of any man is to be caught in the swirl of discontent that is caused by this envy of these so-called successful people. The wise shall inherit glory, but shame shall be the promotion of fools. The country would go to the devil in a month if it were not for the quiet, steady, a-lay-at-homes who form the bone and sinew of our business and social and spiritual life. Learn the wisdom of being quiet and content where you are and leave boomsters and promoters to their game of chance.

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Wild Oats

Last summer a Connecticut farmer was approached by a tramp, who asked for something to eat and a night's lodging. It was pretty well towards evening and the work was all done, so the farmer gave the tramp his supper and sent him to bed.

About half-past six in the morning the farmer roused out the tramp. He said all night long, "I'm sorry, I'm sorry," and the tramp, rubbing his eyes, said:

"Time to get up and work."

"What do you mean?"

"We're going to reap."

"Reap what?"

"Oats,"

"Are they wild oats, boss?"

"No, of course not. Why?"

"Well, if they aren't wild oats, why do you have to reap up on 'em like this in the dark?"

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Most Any Time

A country road, trees, sky, summer, a lake in the distance.

Enter up the road, an automobile well loaded and running at high speed.

Enter at the far right an express train.

Both automobile and train are rushing toward the crossing.

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"The chauffeur, speeding up: Sure I can make it."

Dead heat? — 12:11:11 ***12:11:11

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Bearing Out the Adage

What's the best thing you ever saw that bore out the old adage that cleanliness is next to godliness?

Lemme see. — Oh, yes. Back in the town where I came from the Salvation Army barracks was next door to the Chinese Laundry.

Explained

I see now why it takes you so long to shave. I have been watching you, Rivers.

You make a lot of hideous faces at yourself while doing it, and every face of course, requires a separate shave.

Minard's Liniment Cures Dandruff

A man of letters who visited Washington recently appeared at but one dinner party during his stay. Then he sat next to the daughter of a noted naval officer. Her vocabulary is of a kind peculiar to very young girls, but she rattled away at the famous man without a moment's reprieve. It was during a pause in the general conversation that she said to him:

"I'm awfully stuck on Shakespeare. Don't you think he's too terribly interesting?"

Everybody listened to hear the great man's brilliant reply, for as a Shakespearean scholar he has few peers.

"Yes," he said, solemnly. "I do think he is interesting. I think he is more than that. I think Shakespeare is just simply too good for anything."

Ver

The banality of a sea poem by Alfred Noyes led a Philadelphia snootier at the Franklin Inn to say:

"This poem of the sea reminds me of a young woman from Illinois who saw the Atlantic for the first time last week at Cape May."

As she stood on the windy beach, gazing dreamily out over the water, I said to her:

"So this is the first time you have ever seen the sea, eh?"

"Yes, the very first time, she answered."

And what do you think of it? I asked.

"Oh, she said, with an ecstatic smile, it smells just like oysters."

Judd Ward—Bill Purdy's dog bit Lew six times.

Gene Woods—Lew's dog has a little more than six times.

Judd Ward—But I don't think the fence allow him to bite a man more than once.

I asked my husband for some pin money this morning.

What did he say?

He asked me how much pin money was a jacket.

His Last Request

"Now a word could be heard in the courtroom. The prisoner had just been condemned to death."

"You have a right to make a last wish, and the judge, and it is your wish it will be granted."

The prisoner, "It was a barber, gave the judge an appalling look as he replied."

"I should like just one more to be allowed to stay in the district attorney's office."

Only the Hair

Maiden Aunt—Venice at last! One half of the dream of my youth is now fulfilled.

Niece—Was only half, auntie? Aunt (reaching up) contemplated going to his profession. Some time ago.

A small boy saw some young puppets at his profession. Some time ago.

Oh, Mr. Brown, he asked the man, how much do you want for those puppets?

They're \$5 apiece, Master Brown.

Oh, but I don't want a piece. I want a whole dog.

A Kitchener Story

Lord Kitchener's career, that marriage means the end of a soldier's career. In fact, a soldier should be wedded by asking him a question.

If the officers of the army today are not to marry, said she where are you inquired the cautious catenary for the army tomorrow?

And Lord Kitchener, remembering well that officers are usually the sons of officers was silenced.

Getting the Most

How will you have your eggs cooked? asked the waiter.

Make any difference in the cost of an omelette the cautious catenary for the army tomorrow?

No, with the brimless hat and faded beard.

No.

Then cook them on the top of a slice of ham, said the customer, greatly relieved.

Advice

Let this fact sink into your head. Let nothing 'er delay it.

While you can leave a thing unsaid there's no way to unsay it.

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CANADA GETS DISADVANTAGES OF RECIPROCITY WITHOUT ITS BENEFITS

The result to Canada of the great change in the American tariff has been immediate and marked. The day after the Underwood tariff went into effect between four and five million bushels of Canadian oats started moving towards Buffalo and other ports. Lumbermen at Ottawa and other centres reported that vast amounts of Canadian lumber previously bought for delivery after the tariff change were demanded for immediate shipment. Cattle buyers throughout Ontario had been scouring the country for weeks buying animals for delivery as soon as the Underwood tariff became operative.

Everywhere there has been a rush to take advantage of this wider market, with the natural result that prices are going up. The Quebec Telegraph states that prices of fish will rise, as the new tariff enables Canadian fishermen to remain in Canada and still sell their product in American markets without duty. The Ottawa papers say:

"Meat prices to go up and increase may come soon," and that thousands of cattle of all kinds are being shipped from the district to the States. Despatches from every part of Canada show a stiffening in the price of food products, as well as most of the staple articles of living.

The cost of living will inevitably be higher in Canada than it has ever been. This is obviously due to two reasons: First, the American Government has reduced its tariff in order to secure reduced cost of living to its own consumers, thus increasing the demand for Canadian products. The Canadian Government has refused to touch the tariff in order to keep up the cost of living for the benefit of its friends "The Interests." In spite of the fact that this change had long been foreseen, the Borden Government has remained true to its high tariff friends.

TWO YEARS OF INERTIA

Two years have passed since the Tory party defeated reciprocity by their infamous coalition with the Nationalists. In these two years the Borden Government has done absolutely nothing to relieve the incessant demands from both East and West for wider markets and reduced cost of living. True, Hon. Mr. Foster has spent most of that time fruitlessly travelling over the world in a mock heroic effort to widen trade where there is little opportunity for it, while scorning to encourage trade where it would naturally go. So far as easing the burdens of Canadian producers and consumers is concerned, the Borden Government has registered an absolute blank.

During the same period the United States has secured a new government which has introduced a complete fiscal revolution. Mr. Woodrow Wilson, on assuming the Presidency, strictly enforced

the Liberal doctrine that pre-election promises must be fulfilled, and he was backed by his followers in both Congress and the Senate. During a single special session, the American tariff has been reduced by 28 per cent. This reduction is much greater than it really appears since the free and very low tariff lists have been so arranged as to reduce the burden of taxation upon food and the ordinary necessities of life, so that it inures especially to the benefit of the working classes. Cattle, sheep, swine, coal, fish, leather, boots and shoes, harness, agricultural implements, cream, silk, milk, eggs, bacon and all kinds of fresh and smoked meats from being taxed above 25 per cent. have suddenly become absolutely free.

WHAT ABOUT WHEAT?

What will the Borden Government do with regard to wheat, flour and potatoes? Under the present Canadian tariff there is a duty of 12c. a bushel on wheat, 60c. a barrel on flour, and 20c. a bushel on potatoes. The new United States tariff provides that with countries admitting American wheat, flour and potatoes free they shall be put on the American free list. To countries charging a duty on the American product there shall be a countervailing duty of 10c. a bushel on wheat, 45c. a barrel on flour, and 10 per cent. on potatoes. In each case the countervailing duty will be sufficient to prevent importation from Canada.

Wheat is Canada's chief product. It employs two million Canadians, and this year will provide over one-third of the Dominion's exports. Anything which interferes with the flow of this grain from the farm to the ultimate consumer means direct and inevitable loss to the Canadian grain growers—therefore, to Canada. It would be absurd to imagine that Canadian wheat growers need a 12c. a bushel protection against foreign wheat. It should be as absurd to imagine that Canadian millers need protection for their industry, with the finest wheat in the world at their door and equal opportunity for economical milling and shipping.

Sir Wm. Whyte, one of Canada's greatest transportation experts, declares that there is "grave danger of grain cobbleston between Fort William and Montreal. Grain growers and shippers know that there always has been congestion on the Canadian rail ways every fall.

The remedy is obvious. With the duty taken off Canadian wheat and flour—the two articles in which Canada stands pre-eminent—the way will be open to send Canadian wheat through the States without difficulty and to sell it without taxation in the United States flour centres for mixing with the soft Southern wheat. The result would immediately be better prices for Canadian wheat, a steadier market and better access thereto.

Will the Borden Government do anything? The indications are that it will not—it is too firmly under the control of the protection interests. The Canadian duty can only be taken off by Parlia-

ment. Premier Borden has recently intimated that he sees no reason why Parliament should be called until next January. It is announced by Government organs that next session will not likely witness any revision of the tariff because Hon. W. T. White, a "strong believer in tariff stability." So is every beneficiary by a high tariff. It is the farmers and the consumers who have to pay the tax who agree with the Liberal party's demand for a general scaling down of the tariff. The wheat growers of the West and the potato growers of the East will this fall find in their purses powerful arguments for the speedy return of the Liberal Government.

NEED WIDER MARKETS

Speaking at Woodstock last October during his triumphant tour of Ontario, Sir Wilfrid Laurier said he had come to discuss, apart from the excitement of a general election, the question of wider markets for Canadian products, particularly for the West. The future prosperity of the Dominion, he urged, demanded that the problem be dealt with.

"We submitted a solution," said Sir Wilfrid. "We have been defeated and must bow to the verdict of our fellow-countrymen. But the problem will not down. It still confronts us all—it confronts our country. It is the duty of the Government to solve it by policy and not by temporary expedient. If the Government cannot do this then it must make way for other and more courageous men who will deal with the problem."

Again at St. Johns, Que., on October 6th last, Sir Wilfrid Laurier, speaking to his French-Canadian compatriots, declared that the Liberal policy was still to secure the wider markets that were so badly needed by the producers and consumers of this country.

Sir Wilfrid's policy is not one of emergency. It is the steady policy of Liberalism. In his tariff, as in his naval policy, there is consistent progress commensurate with the growth of the country. He is no dreamer of hysterical emergencies. Lightning and thunder and storms have no part in his political faith.

LESSON OF IMPRESSIONS

After all why should Hon. George E. Foster spend years at the country's expense gaining impressions of Korea, China, Japan, Honolulu and other odds and ends of the world while the government refuses to do anything towards securing wider markets across the boundary, where there are more than a hundred million people anxious to do business with us? Perhaps it would pay better if Hon. Mr. Foster were to stay at home and gain a few impressions of Canada.

HIGHWAYS BILL AGAIN

The Highways Aid Bill, according to Government announcements, is to be re-introduced in its original form next session, "although it has been twice killed by the Senate."

The Senate has twice amended this Bill so as to make it a bill for the aid of good highways in

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stead of a bill for the aid of bad politicians. Twice the Borden Government has strangled the bill rather than accept any such amendment.

At last session of Parliament the Liberals moved that the sum of \$1,500,000 as provided under this bill which the Government had killed, should be voted as an ordinary subsidy and divided according to population amongst the Provinces, to be spent by the Provincial Governments in aid of good roads. Premier Borden, outraged at the idea of all his money going beyond his control, led the indignant Conservative party to defeat this motion. The only reason why this year the Provinces have no Dominion aid to improve their highways is that the Borden Government has refused the Liberal opposition's efforts to give it to them.

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TORY PAPER REBELS

Not for years have the Canadian people been treated to such an exhibition of Tory absurdity as in the efforts of the Conservative press to excuse the Borden Government for its refusal to touch the tariff. The Toronto Mail and Empire of October 6th capped the climax when it said: "Canada gets for nothing larger concessions than those for which much more than a fair equivalent was required under the reciprocity pact."

Could absurdity go further? The obvious inference is that the new U.S. tariff has been passed for the benefit of Canada and that Canada gives nothing in return. Instead it is plain to ordinary common sense that the Americans have not considered Canada. They have reduced the tariff in the interests of their own common people. The Borden Government has kept up the tariff bars against the interests of our common people and in the interests of those whose wealth has been created by higher tariff conditions.

This specious foolery, however, was too much for the digestion of the Conservative "Ottawa Citizen," which declared: "President Woodrow Wilson has overthrown the outer stockade of special privilege in America. The citizens of the Republic have decided to cease taxing themselves by a customs tariff every time they import foodstuffs. The tariff will not be reduced in Canada. No concessions. What a triumph! Canadians will continue to tax themselves as usual." But Canadians, generous people, will refuse to import anything in return. At most they will take as little as possible and will insist upon paying a tariff toll every time an exchange is made.

How long will the Canadian people tolerate such a condition? The problem still confronts the people. The Tory party is bound hand and foot to the special privilege classes. The Liberals are anxious to continue their policy of 1911 and ease the burdens of the Canadian people, as President Wilson and the Democrats have eased the burdens of the American people. Once the Canadian people face the issue, without being stampeded by the jingo flag flapping campaign of the protected interests, and aware of the alliance between the jingo Tories and the Nationalists of Quebec, their answer will be swift and decisive.

AMERICAN CURRENCY REFORM

Despite a large amount of money spent by Canadian newspapers on telegraph calls to "cover" the new banking and currency legislation at Washington, there are few Canadians who really know what it is all about. The bill which passed the House of Representatives was considered by Democratic members to be too conservative, but it was, nevertheless, declared to be too socialist and radical by the Senate, and that view was concurred in by many of the magnates of the country to the south of us. The chief point at issue, in a nutshell, seems to be as to whether the banks of the country



DAVID HARUM

Manager Shilleto of the Comet Theater, wishes to announce to his patrons that he has secured Geo. Howard and his excellent company in Wm. Crane's great success, "David Harum," for one night only, Monday, October 27.

The story of David Harum is so well known that it needs no introduction to the theater goers of Lacombe. Both Mr. Crane and Mr. Howard, have presented this play to the public of the United States, and the unanimous opinion of the dramatic critics has been in favor of Mr. Howard. He brings

shall control the issue of currency, or that control shall rest with the National Government. It may be true that the big reserve in banks of New York City helped out this or that region of the country during the panic of 1907, but as the New York Times points out, no section of the country should be dependent for its very existence upon this or that private corporation. The country banks may be opposed to the bill, along with the city banks, but the people are behind the president in demanding that the currency of the nation shall be issued and controlled by national authority.

This is the question that the United States Senate must decide. Shall the government or the banks create and control the money of the country? The bankers may get this or that amendment, but on the main issue the President will not yield.

After all, the chief interest for our people in the discussions at Washington lies in the fact that they but emphasize the superiority of the Canadian banking system over that in vogue on the other side of the line. This fact is best apparent in times of financial stringency. When American banks and trust companies are going to the wall, or being forced there by larger and more powerful moneyed interests, our banks are successfully weathering the financial storm. Rash speculations with other people's money often sends American financial houses into liquidation, but here in Canada we have yet to hear of a bank going to the wall so long

to the part not only the deep pathos of which Mr. Crane is capable, but also the humor of the real David Harum, which so well fits Mr. Howard's inimitable style of comedy.

David Harum will drive away the blues and leave you laughing for a week over his quaint philosophies. Lacombe is surely in for a treat and will turn out en masse to welcome such a splendid company presenting this masterpiece of wholesomeness. Seats on sale at theater commencing Monday, the 20th, at 10 a. m.

as the president and directors are acting honestly and within the law. The failure of the Farmers' Bank, of course, merely goes to show what unscrupulous men can do if they desire to evade the law, but so long as there is a law there will be found men who break it. Fortunately there have not been many such cases in Canadian banking history, and we are led to the conclusion that on the whole our Canadian banking system offers good safeguard to the depositing public.

THE GROWTH OF CO-OPERATION

Lord Grey delivered an admirable address at the opening of the ninth Congress of the International Co-Operative Alliance at Glasgow.

After welcoming the 600 delegates, who represent over twenty million members of 130,000 societies in the 24 nations incorporated in the Alliance, Lord Grey reviewed the growth of the movement since the first International Congress, which he opened in 1895.

It was now within their power, he believed, to secure the triumphant realization of a future co-operative international commonwealth, which would one day be co-equal and co-extensive with the whole civilized world.

To achieve that end involved the carrying out of certain essential principles—above all, that the movement should not be a class movement, nor a political movement, nor a sectarian move-

ment. It was a movement of a purely social and voluntary character, unlettered by State control, with no resemblance to either trust or combine, which met the wants of both producer and consumer more effectively and at less cost, which increased the funds available for higher wages and which eliminated every unnecessary middleman.

The moral advantages of co-operation, he added, were not less conspicuous or important, since co-operation showed how the warring forces of labor and capital could be reconciled with advantage to all concerned.

In that address he outlined the true conception of co-operation, and the ideal must be made the actual if co-operation is to be successful.

SEATTLE FEARS BUBONIC PLAGUE

Seattle, Oct. 23.—Dr. Charles E. Crichton, health officer of Seattle, said today the bubonic plague rat situation in Seattle was serious, but the health department hoped to prevent an outbreak of the disease.

"Not for six years," he said, "has there been a case of bubonic plague in a human being in Seattle. In those six years we have found 24 plague rats. A considerable number were taken during the plague outbreak six years ago and recently seven were killed in a water front which has been thoroughly isolated."

"Thousands of dollars are being expended in Seattle under the orders of the health department in tearing down condemned cement basement and otherwise making the water front as rat-proof as possible."

"The infected district is two blocks long and one block deep, and fronts on the bay with a plank street behind. We are trying to make it impossible for the rats to lodge or breed on the water front."

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- Boys' Suits, \$2.75; some Men's Suits.
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Synopsis of Canadian Northwest Homestead Regulation

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ditions by father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister of intending homesteader.

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In certain districts a homesteader in good standing may pre-empt a quarter section alongside his homestead. Price \$3.00 per acre.

Duties.—Must reside on the homestead or pre-emption six months in each of six years from date of homestead entry (including the time required to settle homestead patent) and cultivate fifty acres extra.

A homesteader who has exhausted his homestead right and cannot obtain a pre-emption may enter for a purchased homestead in certain districts. Price \$3.00 per acre. Duties.—Must reside six months in each of three years, cultivate fifty acres and erect a house worth \$30.00.

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Mr. J. N. McLeod, recently of Manor, Saskatchewan, arrived here this week and will reside in the house just vacated by J. I. Poole. Mr. McLeod will probably go into business here in the near future.

Isaac Gibson, who a short time ago moved to Armstrong, B. C., is in town this week. He represents conditions as being far from satisfactory in the fruit growing districts. It would not be at all surprising if Mr. Gibson returns to Lacombe district to live.

The anniversary services of Grace Methodist church, Lacombe, will be held on Sunday, October 26. Rev. G. W. Kerby, D. D., of Calgary, will occupy the pulpit at both services. On Monday, October 27, anniversary dinner will be served in Denike's new block, Barnett avenue, from 6 to 8 p. m., followed by a grand concert in the church at 8 p. m.

BIRTHS

Baillie - Near Bentley, on Monday October 13, to Mr. and Mrs. W. Baillie, triplets, all daughters.
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on Thursday, October 16, to Mr. and Mrs. W. Roos, a daughter.
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Everets - At Lacombe, on Sunday, October 19, to Mr. and Mrs. D. Everets, a daughter.

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